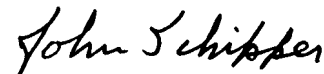


### Reply To Examiner's Remarks

Claims 1-5, 7-16, 18-22, as amended, and 43-44 are presented for consideration.

The Examiner has requested submission of amended claims that correspond to amended claims filed on 19 February 2003 for a preceding CPA application no. 2. Because it is unclear what response is required here, the Applicants herewith submit the 19 February 2003 claims amendment. The Applicants also cancel claim 33, which was submitted as part of the most recent CPA version of this patent application. Please review the claims and advise the Applicant's representative if any further changes in the claims are required to put the application in proper form for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,



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